

bracketed for today is LB452.

CLERK: Read LB452.

PRESIDENT: Very good, Chair recognizes Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: Mr. President, the committee amendments are the bill, so I would suggest that those that are interested in following at least the high points of this can turn to the amendments to LB452 which actually strike all the original sections. Vince, where are the amendments? Are the amendments in the bill book?

CLERK: They are in the bill book besides the bill. They should be on top of the bill in the green bill book. They are on white paper.

SENATOR MARVEL: So in effect Mr. President, I'm speaking to the motion which would adopt the a committee amendments to 452. I think that this is in order then.

PRESIDENT: Proceed.

SENATOR MARVEL: Incidentally these amendments came out of the appropriations committee with unanimous vote. Now if I might, I would like to make a few general statements and then I would like to refer to specific sections of this new legislation and then see if there are other amendments or other corrections. If the Legislature sees to see fit to approve these amendments and advance the bill, there are some corrective amendments that could be put on on Select File, and in the meantime published in the Journal so that the Legislature could see them first. Now, let me say this for point number one. Major purpose of this bill is to remove the department of administrative services from under the direction of the Governor and as soon as I say that I want to make a second statement and that is that the functions of any such department are so important for the progress of the state that the structure of such a department should be set up so that both the legislative and executive branches have the same access to the same information. That is the major purpose as far as I am concerned with this piece of Legislation is to provide a structure whereby all of this important information is available to all of us. Whether we be members of the Legislative branch or the Executive branch. We are going to be as effective as Legislators to the extent that we have as much information as can be provided by the resources of government. Now, what this does then in removing the department of administrative services, and I would remind you that I was the first introducer of the bill to set up the department of administrative services back in the middle sixties. The major structure according to the amendments of this bill would be the creation of a commission of 5 persons. This commission of 5 persons would include all of the other elected officials of state government, that isn't quite true, I guess I had better retract that and list them. The Chairman of this commission would be the Governor. The other members of the 5 member commission would be the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the State Treasurer and the State Auditor. Those five would function as a commission for the purpose of hiring

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